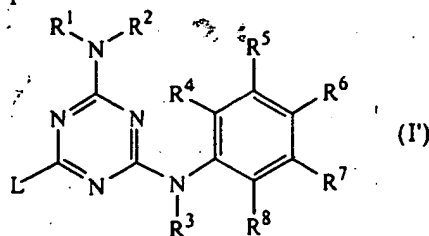


In the Claims:

Add new independent claim 19, as in the following clean list of claims:

1. (Five times amended) A compound of formula



a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt or a stereochemically isomeric form thereof, wherein

R¹ and R² are each independently selected from hydrogen; hydroxy; amino; C₁₋₆alkyl;

C₁₋₆alkyloxy; C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl; Ar¹; mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)amino; mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminocarbonyl; dihydro-2(3*H*)-furanone; C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with one or two substituents each independently selected from amino, imino, aminocarbonyl, aminocarbonylamino, hydroxy, hydroxyc₁₋₆alkyloxy, carboxyl, mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)amino, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl and thienyl; or

R¹ and R² taken together may form pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, azido or mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₄alkylidene;

R³ is hydrogen, Ar¹, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl; and

R⁴, R⁵, R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl or trihalomethyloxy ;

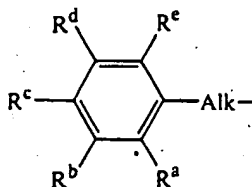
R⁶ is aminocarbonyl;

L is C₁₋₁₀alkyl; C₃₋₁₀alkenyl; C₃₋₁₀alkynyl; C₃₋₇cycloalkyl; or

L is C₁₋₁₀alkyl substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₃₋₇cycloalkyl; indolyl or indolyl substituted with one, two, three or four substituents each independently selected from halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl, trihalomethyloxy, or C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; and phenyl or phenyl substituted with one, two, three, four or five substituents each independently selected from halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl, trihalomethyloxy, or C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; and,

Ar¹ is phenyl, or phenyl substituted with one, two or three substituents each independently selected from halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, nitro or trifluoromethyl.

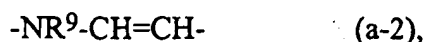
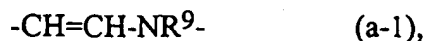
2. (Once Amended) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R¹ and R² are each independently selected from hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, Ar¹ or mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminocarbonyl; or R¹ and R² taken together may form pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl or morpholinyl; R³ is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl or Ar¹; and Ar¹ is phenyl, or phenyl substituted with one, two or three substituents each independently selected from halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, nitro or trifluoromethyl; and L is a radical of formula



wherein Alk is C₁₋₆alkanediyl;

R^a, R^b, R^c, R^d, R^e, R⁴, R⁵, R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently selected from hydrogen, halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl or trihalomethyloxy; or

R^a and R^b taken together may form a bivalent radical of formula



wherein R⁹ is hydrogen or C₁₋₄alkyl.

3. (Twice amended) A compound according to claim 1 wherein L is C₃₋₁₀alkenyl or C₁₋₂alkyl substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from C₃₋₇cycloalkyl; indolyl or indolyl substituted with one, two, three or four substituents each independently selected from halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl, trihalomethyloxy, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; phenyl or phenyl substituted with one, two, three, four or five substituents each independently selected from halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl, trihalomethyloxy, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl.

4. (Once Amended) A compound according to claim 3 wherein L is 2,6-dichlorophenylmethyl.

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8. (Once Amended) A compound according to claim 4 wherein NR^1R^2 is other than amino.

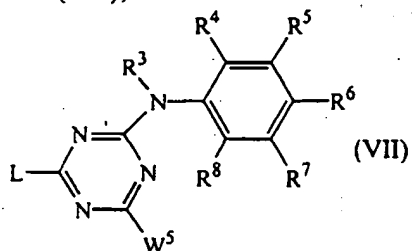
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11. (Once Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a therapeutically active amount of a compound as claimed claim 1.

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18 (Unchanged) A method of treating a subject suffering from HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) infection comprising administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.

19. (New) A compound of formula (VII),



wherein

R¹ and R² are each independently selected from hydrogen; hydroxy; amino; C₁₋₆alkyl; C₁₋₆alkyloxy; C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl; Ar¹; mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)amino; mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminocarbonyl; dihydro-2(3H)-furanone; C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with one or two substituents each independently selected from amino, imino, aminocarbonyl, aminocarbonylamino, hydroxy, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyloxy, carboxyl, mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)amino, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl and thienyl; or

R¹ and R² taken together may form pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, morpholinyl, azido or mono- or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₄alkylidene;

R³ is hydrogen, Ar¹, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl; and

R⁴, R⁵, R⁷ and R⁸ are each independently selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl or trihalomethoxy ;

R⁶ is aminocarbonyl;

W⁵ is halo;

L is C₁₋₁₀alkyl; C₃₋₁₀alkenyl; C₃₋₁₀alkynyl; C₃₋₇cycloalkyl; or

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FI L is C₁₋₁₀alkyl substituted with one or two substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C₃₋₇cycloalkyl; indolyl or indolyl substituted with one, two, three or four substituents each independently selected from halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl, trihalomethyloxy, or C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; and phenyl or phenyl substituted with one, two, three, four or five substituents each independently selected from halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, aminocarbonyl, nitro, amino, trihalomethyl, trihalomethyloxy, or C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl; and, Ar¹ is phenyl, or phenyl substituted with one, two or three substituents each independently selected from halo, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, cyano, nitro or trifluoromethyl.
